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**CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 9,

Line 8, "100  $\mu$ tm" should read -- 100 $\mu$ m --.

Column 12,

Line 54, "FI G." should read -- FIG. --.

Column 15,

Line 47, "greater, durability" should read -- greater durability --.

Column 18,

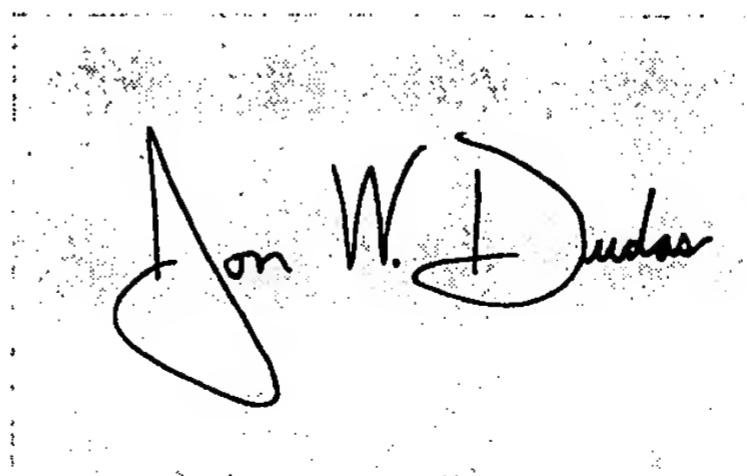
Line 61, "TABLE II n" should read -- TABLE II --.

Column 23,

Line 56, "succinic acid" should read -- succinic acid. --.

Signed and Sealed this

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